



OFFICE OF
COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM ANTHONY YOUNG
DISTRICT FOUR
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*Councilman Young with District 4 residents
From the Mt. View community.*

CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS:

On Monday September 17, 2007 the San Diego City Council conducted a financial training workshop designed to assist the Council members with keeping updated on the many complex financial documents and related materials used for decision making. This training is one of several prongs in our multi-pronged approach to restoring our city to a viable fiscal condition and improving our abilities to make sound fiscal decisions.

On Tuesday September 18, 2007 the San Diego City Council unanimously approved a grant application for \$200,000 from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to help coordinate gang prevention and intervention activities in the 4th District community of Encanto. I commend and thank the Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention for their continuing efforts to bring resources to this city. This is but one action in the many actions they



are currently taking to bring resources to various communities throughout the city that are impacted by gangs and gang activity. We look forward to approving similar recommendations that provide gang prevention and intervention services in all Council Districts.

On Thursday, September 20, 2007 in my position as Co-Chairman of the San Diego City/County Reinvestment Task Force, I launched the Task Force's "Foreclosure Prevention and Intervention Initiative." Results of our efforts to examine the range and impacts of the current home foreclosure crisis, its impacts on low and moderate income communities, and actions that we can take as a City and County to respond to this foreclosure crisis were presented at the Task's Force's monthly meeting. Recommendations include: Pro-active efforts from City and County agencies to assist San Diego homeowners in avoiding losing their homes to foreclosure, securing additional funding for foreclosure prevention counseling, education and outreach services; strong code enforcement on properties that are absentee owned and vacant, and increasing efforts by the City Attorney, district Attorney, county Counsel and other law enforcement agencies to investigate fraud and misleading activities that have contributed to this crisis in foreclosures.

This is a critical issue for our communities. The proliferation of sub-prime loans and the increase of foreclosed properties represent a threat to the quality of life in our neighborhoods. I am very concerned about the economic well being of our residents due to the fact that this crisis severely impacts the very soul and existence of our citizens and our communities. I thank the members of the Task Force for their outstanding efforts in working on these recommendations and helping set an example for cities throughout this nation that are experiencing this national crisis. We will be bringing the recommendations to the full City Council in the next few weeks.

YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW:

Bethel Baptist Church's Fall Outreach Festival/Health Fair will be held on Saturday, September 22, 2007 at 1962 Euclid Avenue. I commend and thank Dr. John Ringgold, the congregation of Bethel Baptist Church, and the many organizations and volunteers who helped bring this outstanding and much needed event to the community.

2nd Annual International Day of Peace, held on Saturday, September 22, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Market Creek Plaza Amphitheater.

The purpose of this multicultural event is to promote a "Culture of Peace" by advocating harmonious human relations, non-violence, unity, freedom, justice, power and peace. The event provides attendees access to resources for conflict resolution, public safety and violence prevention to enhance behavioral health, safety and well-being. This free community event is in



conjunction with the world wide Peace Day celebration initiated by the United Nations in 1982. For more information, please contact Mshinda Nyofu, M.S. at (619) 587-0789 or via e-mail at ujimainstitute@yahoo.com.

On Monday, September 24, 2007 The Earl B. Gilliam Bar Association and NAACP SD Branch, will present a community forum on Student Privacy Rights & Campus Security Concerns at the Malcolm X Library on 5148 Market Street at 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Some key topics include: privacy rights of students, justified security concerns of educational institutions, and balancing competing interests in education environments. For further information, please contact Lei-Chala I. Wilson via e-mail leichala@earthlink.net or (619) 507-1304 or Marc Cherry at (619) 527-3405.

The City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture's Creative Communities is accepting applications for the Fiscal Year 2009. They will provide two technical assistance workshops: 1) Wednesday, September 26th, 2:00 pm—4:00 pm, Malcolm X Library (5148 Market Street) and 2) Thursday, September 27, 2007, 2:00 pm—4:00 pm, Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). The Application deadline is Friday, October 19, 2007 (postmark or hand delivered by 5:00pm). Late applications will not be accepted. I highly recommend you attend one or both meetings to help you with any questions or assistance you may have for this process. If you have any questions, please contact either Lourdes Borboa or Liezl Mangonon at (619) 236-6644.

Rebuilding Together San Diego, is accepting applications from low-income families who own their own home and need assistance with home repairs. They are also accepting applications from Community non-profit facilities in need of renovation. All work is performed at no cost to the qualifying recipients. The application deadline is November 5th. For more information, please call (619) 231-7873. Applications and guide-lines can be found on our website at: [www.http://www.rebuildingtogethersd.org/apply/introduction.html](http://www.rebuildingtogethersd.org/apply/introduction.html)

San Diego LISC has the 2007 NFL Youth Football Grassroots Program Request for Proposal. The NFL Grassroots Programs provides grants up to \$200,000 for capital improvement projects. In order to be eligible, projects must be sponsored by non-profit community-based organizations, or middle-schools/ high schools. In addition all organizations applying for funds must be located specifically and exclusively within NFL Target Markets and serve low to moderate income areas within those markets. Submissions are due by November 30, 2007. For more information please contact Joe Horiye at (619) 239-6691 or go to www.lisc.org/san_diego.



Community Clean-ups are continuing to be held throughout the 4th District. I commend, thank, and congratulate the many community volunteers and city staff who assist in these efforts. Keeping our communities clean and free of debris is an ongoing effort we all must continue to be involved in.

- **On August 4, 2007 a community clean-up was held in the 4th District community of Broadway Heights.** A total of 47.52 tons of waste was collected, 38.71 tons of non-recyclables and 8.81 tons of recyclable materials consisting of metals and appliances was collected. Robbie Robinson, members of Broadway Heights community and the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department, are commended for their assistance and support
- **On August 8, 2007 a community clean-up was held in the 4th District community of Skyline.** A total of 5.78 tons of waste, 3.95 tons of non-recyclables and 1.83 tons were recyclable materials consisting of metals and appliances were collected. Ms. Edwina Hardieway, community members and the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department, are commended for their assistance and support.
- **On August 11, 2007 the Black Police Officers Association conducted a major clean-up at 50th and Imperial Ave.** EDCO Waste and Recycling Services donated 1-40 cubic yard "Roll-off" boxes for this much needed clean-up. I commend and thank the Black Police Officers Association and EDCO Waste and Recycling Services for their outstanding contributions toward helping keep our communities clean and safe.
- **At the August 15, 2007 community clean-up held in the 4th District community of Skyline.** A total of 12.04 tons of waste, 10.55 tons were non-recyclables and 1.49 tons of recyclable materials consisting of metals and appliances were collected. Mr. Ken Thomas, community members, and the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department, are commended for their assistance and support.
- **On August 22, 2007 a community clean-up was held in the 4th District community of Paradise Hills.** A total of 8.55 tons of waste, 5.76 tons of which were non-recyclable and 2.79 tons that were recyclable was removed. Mr. Alex Bettieb, community members, and the City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department, are commended for their assistance and support.



COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the community, and as long as I live it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can.

- George Bernard Shaw

I am in total agreement with him and I am very proud and thankful of the fact that residents throughout the 4th District also share this belief. Please join me or a member of my staff at the following Community Councils meeting this week:

Encanto Neighborhood Community Planning Group will meet on Monday, September 17, at 6:30 p.m., at Malcolm X Library on 5148 Market St.
(Petrina Branch staffs this meeting)

Webster Community Council will meet Tuesday September 18, 2007 at 7:00pm at Webster Elementary School on 4801 Elm Street
(Derrick Whites staffs this meeting)

Diamond Business Improvement District will meet on Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at 8:00 am at 5106 Federal Blvd. Suit 105
(Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

Paradise Hills Village Council will meet on Wednesday September 19, 2007 at Lee Elementary on 6196 Childs Ave (Liezl Mangonon staffs this meeting)

Lomita Village Town Council will meet Thursday, September 20 at 6:00 pm at Skyline Park Recreation Center at 8285 Skyline Drive
(Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

Martin Luther King Recreation Council will meet Thursday, September 20, 2007 at 12:00 pm at MLK Rec. Center on 6401 Skyline Drive
(Derrick Whites staffs this meeting)

Mountain View Community Council will meet Wednesday, September 20, 2007 at 6:00 p.m., at the Mt. View Park, 641 Boundary Street
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Coalition of Neighborhood Council will meet Monday September 24, 2007 at the Jacobs Center on 5160 Federal Blvd (Jimmie Slack staffs this meeting)

Southeastern Planning Committee will meet Monday September 24, 2007 at the Neighborhood House Association (Petrina Branch staffs this meeting)

Chollas Lake Recreation Council will meet Tuesday September 25, 2007 at the Holy Spirit Catholic Church on 2755 55th St (Venus Molina staffs this meeting)

Chollas View Neighborhood Council will meet Tuesday September 25, 2007 at Tubman/Chavez Center on 415 Euclid Ave (Liezl Mangonon staffs this meeting)

Willie Henderson Rec. Council will meet Tuesday September 25, 2007 at the Willie Henderson Rec. Center on 1035 S. 45th Street (Lourdes Borboa staffs this meeting)

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

"Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."
—Dr. Martin Luther King

An opportunity for you to volunteer your services exists with the many City of San Diego Boards and Commissions.

Please visit the City's web site at www.sandiego.gov and view the many boards and commissions available for you to possibly serve on. You will find that several members' terms are expiring, who is responsible for nominating and appointing members, and what the terms and requirements for service are.

Please call Benelia Santos-Hunter at 236-6644 if you are interested in serving as a 4th District representative on a particular Board and/or Commission.



SAVE THIS DATE:

Lord's Fitness Community Development Center's Open House will be held on Thursday, September 27, 2007.

The mission of this new Center is, "to shine as a beacon of light and hope so that anybody in the community who seeks an opportunity to improve his or her life physically, socially, mentally, or spiritually can access needed resources....." For more information please contact Jackie Thomas at (619) 263-3700, ext. 206.

First Time Homebuyer Workshops will be held on September 27th and October 4, 2007.

Workshops will be held at Market Creek Plaza from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. each evening in room 401. The purpose of the homebuyer workshop is to provide information on: budgeting and credit use, obtaining a mortgage, shopping for a home, appraisal and inspection process, mortgage closing and life as a homeowner. Completion of this course may qualify the consumer for federal, state, or local government or private mortgage programs. Certification of completion is provided. For more information and registration, please contact Barbara Day at the Jacobs Center at (619) 527-6161 ext 111.

Free Flu Shots for Seniors, an event offered by the AARP San Diego Metro Chapter 4916 on Friday, September 28, 2007

at the Martin Luther King Jr. Park and Recreation Center on 6401 Skyline Drive. Snacks and refreshments will be provided as well as resource information tables. For more information, please contact Jewell Hooper (619) 264-4201 or AARP Chapter 4916 (619) 264-1090.

Grand Re-Opening of Lincoln High School is on Saturday, September 29

This event is will be held at Lincoln High School, 4777 Imperial Avenue, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. For more information, please call (*English*) (619) 725-5588 or (*Espanol*) (619) 725-7419. This celebration will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony, music, alumni booths, memorabilia, and school tours.

On Saturday, September 29, 2007, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Council will be hosting, Unity in the Community, a community event from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm.

This event's purpose is to provide information on the various resources available in our community. There will be different booths providing information on educational assistance, health, recreational opportunities, the community council, police service, free refreshments, games and crafts for children, and others. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation Center is located at 6401 Skyline Drive. For more in-



formation, please call (619) 527-3415.

The 3rd Annual Filipino-American Arts and Culture Festival will be held on Paradise Valley Road on October 6, 2007. This event will showcase the great diversity that is found in our wonderful District through cultural performances, educational booths, ethnic foods and art displays. In order to ensure a successful event, the Filipino-American Arts and Culture Committee is now currently in the planning stage and would like to extend the invitation to any interested members of the community who would like to help plan and organize for this grand festival. This would be a great opportunity to meet new neighbors in the Fourth District and to bring the community together for a day of fun. If interested, please contact Liezl Mangonon from my staff for more information at 619-236-6644.

The Black Contractors Association of California will host the National Construction Industry Summit “Beyond Civil Rights” on Friday October 26, 2007. The need for this historic National construction summit is to address post Proposition 29 and its national effects on equal opportunities. The summit will deal with the following issues: What are the solutions? Why California is uniquely positioned to solve the problem? And how can California steer the nation forward? For more information, please contact Abdur-Rahim Hameed at (619) 865-9057 or Janiece Hampton at (619) 263-9791.

The “Beyond Civil Rights” Summit will be followed by Black Contractors Association of California (BCA) 25th Anniversary Gala and Youthbuild Fund-raiser on October 27, 2007. It will be located at the Anthology on 1337 India Street from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The keynote speaker invited is the Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger and the theme for this historical event is “Economic Parity”. For more information, please contact Abdur-Rahim Hameed at (619) 865-9057 or Janiece Hampton at (619) 263-9791.

THANK YOU.....

for reading my E-mail Message for the Week. If you would like to receive this E-mail on a regular basis, please e-mail me at anthonyyoung@sanidiego.gov.

